

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

July 13, 2004

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 1491

Honorable Members
Twenty-Second Legislature
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 1491, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to State Government."

The purpose of this bill is to make appropriations for various purposes for fiscal year 2004-2005.

While the bill as a whole has merit, I object to the \$675,307 special fund appropriation for fiscal year 2004-2005 from the Hawaiian Home Administration Account for personnel operating expenses, designated in section 42 on pages 17-18 of the bill. This special fund appropriation of \$675,307 duplicates the special fund appropriation adjustment made in section 2 of the bill that increased the special fund appropriation for fiscal year 2004-2005 from \$7,172,586 to \$7,847,893.

Section 16 of Article III of the State Constitution provides that, "[e]xcept for items appropriated to be expended by the judicial and legislative branches, the governor may veto any specific item or items in any bill which appropriates money for specific purposes by striking out or reducing the same." Because of the foregoing objection, pursuant to my line item veto authority, I have stricken out the duplicate \$675,307 special fund appropriation out of the Hawaiian Home Administration Account for fiscal year 2004-2005 for personnel operating expenses in section 42 (on page 17, line 19) and changed it to \$0.

For the foregoing reason, I am returning Senate Bill

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No. 1491 with the special fund appropriation of \$675,307 for
fiscal year 2004-2005, described above, stricken from the bill.

Respectfully,

LINDA LINGLE
Governor of Hawaii